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MAIL STOP PCTCommissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**PCT/ES03/00293 - filed**
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Re: Application of **Gloria HERMIDA BORREGO,**
Eduardo DE LA PEÑA GASCON,
Jose Antonio LLAMAS LEON and
Marco REILLO FLORKRANS entitled
"EQUIPMENT FOR THE DETECTION
OF SURGICAL PRODUCTS"
 Assignee: **SURGI-WIRE, S.L.**
 Our Ref: **Q-85426**

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ the International Application (an English translation thereof).
- ☒ 4 sheets of drawings.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ the International Preliminary Examination Report (accompanied by Article 34 amendments (if applicable)).
- ☐ Form PTO-1595 (accompanied by a copy of the executed Assignment).
- ☐ an Information Disclosure Statement (along with Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) and a complete copy of each of the references listed therein).
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.



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☒ it is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
SPAIN	P 200201568	July 4, 2002

An executed copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, Assignment, Small Entity Status Declaration and Information Disclosure Statement (with a complete copy of each references cited therein) will be submitted at a later date.

It is assumed that a copy of the International Application, International Search Report, International Preliminary Examination Report and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments (as required by §371(c)) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau. However, for the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the International Application and English translation thereof is provided herewith.

Applicants claim benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>11</u> - 20 = _____	x \$25.00 =	<u>\$.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3 = _____	x \$100.00 =	<u>\$.00</u>
Base Fee			<u>\$150.00</u>
Search Fee			<u>\$250.00</u>
Examination Fee			<u>\$100.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee			<u>\$180.00</u>
TOTAL FEE			<u>\$680.00</u>

A check for the statutory filing fee, in the amount of \$680.00, is attached.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please



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also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A
duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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